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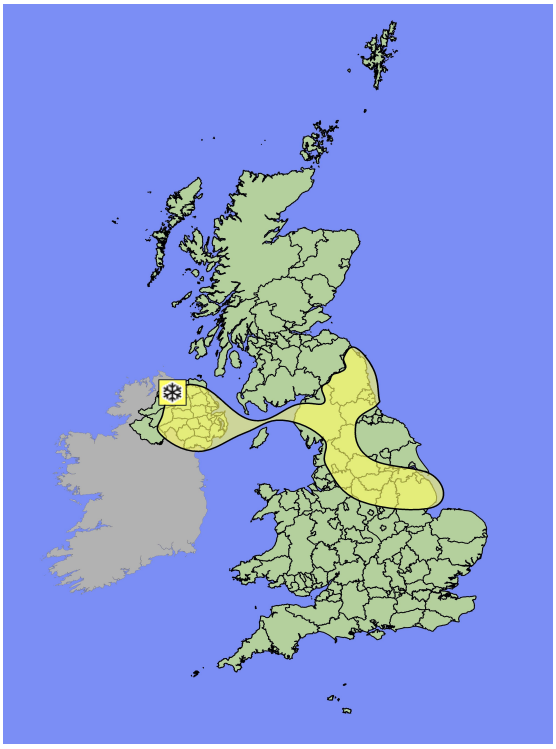

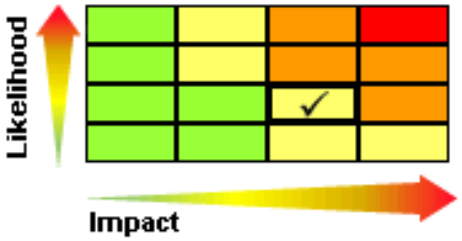

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A deep depression will track past northern Scotland during Monday night, bringing strong westerly winds, with gales in places, accompanied by increasingly wintry showers. The air is unusually cold for a westerly outbreak, being sourced from Canada a day or so earlier. Even so, the long track across the Atlantic seems likely to warm the lowest layers such that disruptive snow will be mostly found away from some northern and western coasts. Further inland snowfall is increasingly likely overnight into Tuesday, but there remain uncertainties attached to the amounts and distribution.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Snow**

Valid from **18:00 on Mon, 04th Feb 2013** until **09:00 on Tue, 05th Feb 2013**

Heavy, squally showers will spread to many parts of Northern Ireland and northern England during Monday evening, turning wintry on high ground and then increasingly to lower levels away from western coasts during Monday night.

Showers will become aligned into bands orientated west to east, such that some places will have frequent snow showers, whilst others have relatively few. Therefore, accumulations of snow will be very variable, with some places under the shower bands receiving 5-10 cm. Drifting of snow and temporary blizzard conditions may affect higher level routes. Winds will gust to around 50 mph near the heavier showers, but higher over hills.

The public should be aware of the potential for some disruption, especially to travel.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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